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NUCL Breaks Out 29% as Uranium Bulls Return — But Know the Dilution Risk

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SUMMARY

Eagle Nuclear explodes higher on sector momentum and permitting news, but small-cap uranium plays carry serious float expansion risks.

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NUCL jumped nearly 29% Monday as uranium caught another bid, pushing the small-cap nuclear play from Friday’s close at \$5.13 to intraday highs near

\$6.90. The move came on decent volume — 734K shares against a daily average around 251K — suggesting real participation rather than just short covering.

The nuclear comeback heading into 2026 is shaping up as a steady, policy-backed expansion rather than a speculative boom. That's the perfect backdrop for a name like NUCL, which combines both uranium exploration and Small Modular Reactor technology development. But let's be clear about what you're buying here: this is a six-month-old public company with massive dilution potential and no meaningful revenue yet.

The catalyst appears tied to news flow around their Aurora Uranium Project in Wyoming. SLR International Corporation to oversee project permitting as Eagle advances one of the largest undeveloped uranium deposits in the United States — that's from their March 18th press release announcing the permitting team selection. In this market, permitting progress is huge. It feels like a lot of this uncertainty is behind us and that everyone's getting back to business, which is building up more capacity and ensuring their future uranium requirements are covered. There are also some very interesting mine developments happening in the first quarter, where a couple of key mines are expected to finally obtain their environmental permits.

The broader uranium trade has legs. 2026 is poised to be transformative for uranium as tightening supply converges with robust demand from new reactor builds and life extensions, plus data center construction and a broader shift to clean energy. Spot uranium touched \$100/pound recently, and with term prices already above about \$85 per pound, the "tightening supply-demand imbalance points to structurally higher uranium prices" according to Bernstein analysts.

But here's where NUCL gets tricky. The company went public via reverse merger in February 2026 — barely five weeks ago. They've got \$6.8M in net income on the books, but that's likely from the transaction structure rather than operations. Free cash flow ran negative \$642K last quarter, and with only 2 employees listed, this is essentially a development story banking on the uranium cycle.

The risk profile screams caution. At a \$65M market cap with minimal operations, you're paying for potential, not production. The 52-week high sits at \$14.80 — hit back when the uranium trade was running hot earlier this year — but the stock's also traded as low as \$4.55. That's the volatility signature of a momentum play, not a stable mining operation.

From a trading perspective, \$6.60 represents a decent pullback from the \$6.90 highs, but the daily chart shows resistance around \$7.00 if uranium keeps catching bids. Below \$6.00, you'd want to see if the 50-day moving average around \$6.62 provides support, though with only a few months of trading history, traditional technical levels matter less than sector sentiment.

The float's manageable at 9.9M shares, which explains why the stock can move 29% on decent volume. But that cuts both ways — when uranium names sell off, small floats amplify the damage. Volume today was solid but not extreme, suggesting the move has room if the sector momentum continues.

Position sizing matters here. This isn't Cameco or NexGen — it's a spec play on uranium recovery with significant execution risk. The permitting progress is encouraging, but development projects can stall for years. And with the reverse merger structure still fresh, watch for additional dilutive financing as they advance the Aurora project.

The uranium bull case remains intact for 2026, driven by supply constraints and AI-powered electricity demand. But NUCL represents the high-beta end of that trade, where 30% moves happen regularly in both directions.

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